Wayland, Dec. 25th, 1859

Dear Friend,

I wish you a merry Christmas! and send you a small present for the approaching Reception in the Music Hall. If you think best to sing it, or use it, for that occasion, please keep it fresh till that time. I should like very much to have it sung, if it pleases you enough to seem worthy of the theme, or of the occasion. If you do not want it, please keep it for me to make use of in some other way.

Would it be possible to borrow Brackett's bust of Brown, and drape it with the Virginian Standard, used at Amory Hall? If so, I would place the Bust of Garrison & Phillips on each side of him.

Mrs. Follen asked me to make any

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suggestions.

Yours cordially,

L. M. Child.

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